



Colorado Citizens' Advisory Commission

A Partnership for Safe Chemical Weapons Destruction

The top priority for the Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant team is to safely dispose of the chemical weapons stored at the U.S. Army Pueblo Chemical Depot, and provide meaningful opportunities for the public to be involved in the project. The Department of Defense and the depot recognize that public participation in the chemical stockpile destruction effort is critical to its success. Many decisions remain to be made, and there are many opportunities for the public to influence those decisions.

The Colorado Chemical Demilitarization Citizens' Advisory Commission (CAC) serves as a vital link between the community and the Department of Defense by providing a forum for exchanging information about chemical weapons destruction efforts. It exists to represent community and state interests to the Army and Department of Defense. Its mission "is to provide a mechanism for the thorough and objective exchange of information among the citizens of Colorado, the Army and other organizations involved in the chemical weapons demilitarization program." The commission consists of nine members. Seven are members of the community at large, and two are state officials.

The governor of Colorado appoints commission members, who serve an unlimited term at the governor's discretion. Although the commission receives limited federal funding from the Department of Defense, it operates independent of Army influence. Staff support for the Colorado CAC is provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Citizens' Advisory Commissions were established by Congress in the 1990s for states in which chemical weapons stockpiles are stored. In addition to Colorado, these states include Alabama, Arkansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Oregon, and Utah.

The Colorado CAC meets in Pueblo at 6 p.m. on the last Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise scheduled. The CAC has established three working groups: Public Involvement, which meets the evening prior to CAC meetings; Permitting, which meets at 1 p.m. on the day of CAC meetings; and Acceleration Options, which meets as needed.

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